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### To increase global awareness in the Columbus region

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on World Affairs

in the Columbus region.”

“By facilitating the open exchange of ideas, the World Affairs Councils also celebrate the principles of voluntary association and free speech.”

- George Bush, Former President of the United States

Vision:

The Council is a non-partisan, non-profit organization founded in 1975 to serve three sections of the Columbus community: business, academic and civic. The Council fosters a community that aspires to be well-informed about critical international issues as they affect the world, nation and local regions, and then to use said information to affect meaningful change.

“...successfully working across borders - both geographically and culturally - is critical to our long-term success. And the greater our fluency, the better we are at breaking down barriers and building bridges.”

- George S. Barrett, Former Chairman & CEO, Cardinal Health

Public Programs:



Global Fluency Training is the region’s premier training resource for cross-cultural competency. These highly interactive training sessions work to help executives, educators, and other professionals through the application of a comprehensive framework for understanding how cultures differ in order to ensure sustainable cross-cultural acumen.

Signature Luncheons

The Council’s Signature Luncheons feature expert commentary from well-known speakers on a variety of globally-relevant topics. All programs are open to the public and encourage active audience participation. Speakers have included state and government officials, entrepreneurs, academics, ambassadors, activists, and other world-renowned leaders.



The Global Scholars Diploma program brings global fluency to the region’s high school students. Through experiential and project based learning, Global Scholars Diploma graduates gain skills in cross-cultural communication, explore global careers, and take action on pressing global issues.



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